

The Carillon

First Baptist Church of Penfield



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Pastor’s Meditation

This month, I defer to the prophetic voice of one of our denomination’s leaders. Please let Dr. Haggray’s message, below, speak to your heart and mind. In Christ, Pastor Steve

On the mass shooting in Buffalo, New York

**By Dr. Jeffrey Haggray,
Executive Director,**

American Baptist Home Mission Societies

VALLEY FORGE, PA (5/17/22)—The American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) expresses heartfelt condolences to the victims and family members of those slain during a brazen act of racially motivated

violence on May 14, 2022, in Buffalo, New York. We stand in solidarity with the people of Buffalo, while praying for comfort on the part of all those stricken by grief due to this massacre.

In addition to condemning racially motivated violence with the utmost vehemence, ABHMS deplores the race-based ideologies that threaten Black people and other people of color, and all violence motivated by ethnicity, religious identity or gender-based hatred. ABHMS offers humanitarian support to our neighbors in Buffalo and beyond, while recognizing that the carnage at the Tops Store is symptomatic of the virulent and rapidly increasing threat of white supremacist ideology in America.

Thirteen people, ranging in age from 20 to 86, were shot. Ten of them died. Eleven victims were Black, two were white. The shooter, Payton S. Gendron, a white man in his late teens, drove three-and-a-half hours from his home in Conklin, New York, to zip code 14208. According to census data, the population there is 78% Black, representing the highest percentage of Black people in Upstate New York.

A manifesto authored by the shooter confirms his plan—he yearned to kill Black people. Motivated by a racist belief that the increasing numbers of people of color in America are a threat to white people, he expressed intent to

continue his rampage at “another large superstore” after leaving the Tops Store in Buffalo.

Such racist ideology has long existed in America, and it fuels efforts on the part of some to instigate civil war between white people and people of color, as witnessed on June 17, 2015, when an admitted white supremacist slaughtered nine Black churchgoers at Mother Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal in Charleston, SC.

ABHMS believes that all people are made in the image of God and are entitled to peace, dignity and safety—whether traveling to the store, attending worship, engaging in fellowship with friends and family, or simply enjoying life—without being subjected to acts of violence by white supremacists.

We call upon American Baptists and other partners in mission to join us in boldly condemning racially motivated violence—and to do so from our houses of worship and in the public square—while extending material support and comfort to those who have been victimized, and to pray that God will move upon the hearts and minds of those who are inclined to harm others to turn from their wicked ways.

(<https://abhms.org/about-us/news/on-the-mass-shooting-in-buffalo-new-york/>)



July Birthdays

- 4 Marie Foltz
- 8 Johnathan Britt
- 15 Nathan Bertrand
- 20 Joseph Collison
- 22 Fritz May
- 24 Olivia Phillips
- 24 Bella Greco Lopes
- 27 Kay Brockway
- 29 Jenna Collison
- 29 Lauren Collison
- 31 Drew Britt
- 31 Gloria Fisler



Church Ladies’ Lunch

Tuesday, July 19th

**at Noon
Place TBD**



Men’s Lunch

**Thursdays at Noon
Riki’s Restaurant in Fairport**



Notes from the Trustees

- Jeff Phillips has been evaluating the lighting in Fellowship Hall. For a while we have had issues with light bulbs blowing out, some rows of lights not coming on and the general lighting is not bright enough. Jeff's investigation has indicated that we have installed several different types of light bulbs; some are not dimmable while others are not meant to be in an enclosed fixture. We also recently learned that LED bulbs are not compatible with our 1965 rheostat dimmer control. A number of years ago we converted the Education Building to LED bulbs through an energy program sponsored by RG&E.

Jeff is currently getting quotes to replace our current rheostat to a new, more current system which would be LED compatible. Jeff has located a source of replacement bulbs that are correctly configured. Fellowship Hall has 30 ceiling fixtures, each housing two bulbs. This topic will be discussed at the July Trustee's meeting.

- Summer is officially here! The Trustees want to remind you that our sanctuary is air conditioned and the temperature is comfortable during the worship service. We want to invite you, if you feel comfortable, to join us each Sunday, in person, in the sanctuary.

Respectfully,

Don Fox, Fritz May, Jack O'Brien, Mike Pray,
Sarah Phillips, David Trump

Pledges and Donations

Just a reminder that all pledges and donations can be mailed into the church office and will be deposited, or you can also use the Donate button on the church website (for a small fee).

Thank you!

Jeff Bertrand



How to Join Sunday Worship Service by Phone

**Dial in by phone to join each
Sunday's virtual service
starting at 9 am**

Dial by your location

+1 646 876 9923 US (New York)

**When prompted, punch in this meeting ID
-----> 839 345 585**

When prompted, punch in -----> #



Missions Report

In June the Missions Team presented the America for Christ offering for American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) - the domestic mission arm of American Baptist Churches-USA.

In coordination with Pastor Steve's Meditation on page one, and in response to the written plea of Dr. Jeffrey Haggray, ABHMS, the Missions Team will be extending \$1,000 of "...material support and comfort to those who have been victimized" in the racially-motivated massacre in Buffalo on May 14, 2022. We are presently confirming the best way to donate these funds so that they might be already on the way to help by the time you read this.

Locally this summer we will be supporting Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, the Penfield Ecumenical Food Shelf, and Penfield Hope. These organizations have had ties to our congregation for years. Our prayer is always that the donations we offer do help to bring hope, dignity, safety and peace to the people in need.

Please join us in that prayer,

Sue, Ellen, Janette



Penfield Coalition of Churches for



SAVE THE DATE!

SUNDAY, JULY 10, 2022

at the Penfield Panera on Rt 250

4-8 PM in person/drive thru or the entire day for Online/Mobile Orders for pick up.

You have the opportunity to support the Penfield Coalition of Churches in raising funds to build our next new home and to *enjoy a night off from cooking!* Please ensure you use the code **FUND4U when checking out or bring the flyer with you.**

Panera has a great variety of sandwiches, salads, soups, coffee and bakery items. We appreciate your support and please tell your friends and family!

Panera FUNDRAISING

HELP SUPPORT

Flower City Habitat for Humanity - Penfield Coalition for FCHH

JOIN US IN THE CAFE OR ORDER ONLINE.

WHERE: 2152 Fairport Nine Mile Road, Penfield, NY 14526

WHEN: Sun, Jul 10th **FROM: 4:00pm - 8:00pm**

FUND4U
Use this code during checkout

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Bring this flyer or show a digital copy to your cashier when ordering at the cafe or enter promo code FUND4U at online checkout to ensure your organization gets a portion of the proceeds.

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**Services vary by cafe.

Penfield Memorial Day Celebration 2022



Ginny Wilterdink



Who We Are

The First Baptist Church of Penfield was established in 1804 in what is now an eastern suburb of Rochester, New York.

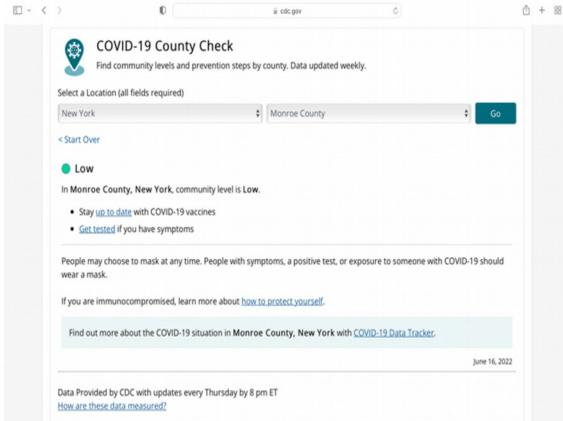
We are affiliated with American Baptist Churches of the Rochester/Genesee Region, and nationally with the American Baptist Churches, USA.

We welcome all to worship with us. Our congregation is a gathering of people who are diverse in theology and political opinions, but who are all seeking to know God in a deeper and more meaningful way.

The First Baptist Church of Penfield continues to include all who seek Jesus as Lord - regardless of race, class, gender, disability, place of origin, or sexual orientation, identity, or expression.



Your health and safety are foremost with us. Masking is optional but encouraged. Please see the following current information from the Centers for Disease Control Website. ([cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov)):



What Prevention Steps Should You Take Based on Your COVID-19 Community Level?

Low	Medium	High
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines Get tested if you have symptoms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you are at high risk for severe illness, talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines Get tested if you have symptoms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wear a mask indoors in public Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines Get tested if you have symptoms Additional precautions may be needed for people at high risk for severe illness
<p>People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask. Masks are recommended in indoor public transportation settings and may be required in other places by local or state authorities.</p>		

If you are immunocompromised or high risk for severe disease, learn more about [how to protect yourself](#) with additional CDC recommendations for each COVID-19 Community Level.

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We have 3 methods of receiving the monthly newsletter.

Method 1—Open the link on our web page at www.fbpenfield.org

Method 2—Pick up your personal copy at Sunday Worship

Method 3—Receive a printed copy via US Postal Mail

Please help us to obtain a cost savings! Open the link or pick up!

If you wish to change your method, please e-mail us at

fbpenfield.@toast.net or call the Church Office at (585) 586-2876.

Our Church Staff

Rev. Steven D. Brotzman ~ Pastor

Dr. Naomi Gregory ~ Organist, Music Director

Samantha Sosa, Caroline Duers,

David Griffith, Jason Rober ~ Choral Scholars

Saundra Augustus ~ Office Assistant

Laura Swail ~ Nursery Care

Meho & Hava Kapidzic ~ Church Custodians

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Church Office Hours

Monday thru Friday, 9:00am to 12:30pm

OUR PURPOSE STATEMENT

*We welcome to our worship all who desire
to know God through Jesus Christ.*

*We encourage each other to develop a
relationship with God and to live as Christ
taught us.*

*We covenant together to seek out and
minister to those in spiritual, emotional or
physical need.*